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TO:

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Executive Officer Board of Supervisors

Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM:

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RE:

County of Los Angeles v. U.S.A. Waste of California, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 345 002

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisor's agenda.

JFK:rfm

Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled <u>County of Los Angeles v. U.S.A. Waste of California, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 345 002, whereby the County will receive payment in the amount of \$140,000.

This lawsuit concerns the remediation of environmental contamination.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME

County of Los Angeles v. U.S.A.

Waste of California, et al.

CASE NUMBER

BC345002

COURT

Los Angeles Superior Court

Central District

DATE FILED

December 22, 2005

COUNTY DEPARTMENT

Department of Public Works

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT

Accept \$140,000 Settlement Offer

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

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NATURE OF CASE

This is an environmental contamination case involving the Cal Compact Landfill. The County and Garbage Disposal Districts are seeking contribution from other potentially responsible parties for costs they incurred for the contamination clean-up.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE

73,453 (In-House Attorney Fees)

PAID COSTS, TO DATE

\$ 17,936